



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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P.O. Box 3044
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
Inland Empire District
17801 Lake Perris Drive
Perris, CA 92571

PROJECT TITLE: Knolls Grove Replanting, California Citrus SHP (12/13-IE-08)

LOCATION: California Citrus State Historic Park **COUNTY:** Riverside

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

This project would involve planting approximately 300 citrus and 550 avocados on currently unused knolls in California Citrus SHP. The work would be completed by Gless Ranch who currently holds a Lease Agreement for the park's groves. It would involve removing existing non-native trees (pepper and eucalyptus), the preparation of the two knolls by disking, trenching and, installing irrigation for the new trees and fumigating the soil to prepare it for planting.

DPR-approved standard project requirements have been incorporated into this project. A copy of these requirements may be obtained by submitting a request to the project Environmental Coordinator listed below.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Inland Empire

EXEMPT STATUS:

- ☐ Declared Emergency (Section 15269(a))
☐ Emergency Project (Section 15269(b) and (c))
☐ Statutory Exemption (Section)
☒ Categorical Exemption

Class: 4 Section(s): 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

No potential for significant impacts to the environment is anticipated in compliance with Section 15300.2. If the project is implemented as indicated within the CDPR Project Evaluation Form including measures provided by CDPR specialists, then it is exempt under CEQA §15304 – Minor Alterations to Land. The Project does not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees except for forestry or agriculture.

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Kelly Elliott

District Superintendent, Inland Empire District

12-18-2013

Date

Project ID No. 13/14-IE-8

PCA No. _____

PROJECT EVALUATION (PEF)

PROJECT CONCEPT

PROJECT TITLE Citrus and Avocado Grove Additions		PARK UNIT NAME California Citrus SHP
DISTRICT NAME Inland Empire		FACILITY NO. 570
PROJECT MANAGER Kelly Elliott	PHONE NO. 951-789-1278	EMAIL Kelly.elliott@parks.ca.gov
DISTRICT PROJECT MANAGER	PHONE NO.	EMAIL
PROJECT BID DATE	CONSTRUCTION START DATE	FUNDING SOURCE Non-Profit Management Corporation

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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DOCUMENTS ATTACHED

- ☒ 7.5 minute (quad) map of project area (**Required**)
- ☒ Site Map (**Required** - Scale should show relationship to existing buildings, roads, landscape features, etc.)
- ☒ Graphics (Specify - photos, diagrams, drawings, cross-sections, etc.): photos
- ☐ Other (Specify):

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

IS AN APPLICATION, PERMIT, OR CONSULTATION REQUIRED?

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COMMENTS:

PROJECT EVALUATION (PEF)

DEPARTMENT POLICY COMPLIANCE

	YES	NO
HAS A GENERAL PLAN BEEN APPROVED FOR THE UNIT?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If YES, is the project consistent with the GP?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If NO, what is the project justification?		
Is it a temporary facility? (No permanent resource commitment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Health and Safety?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is it a Resource Management Project?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is it repairing, replacing, or rehabilitating an existing facility?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
IS THE PROJECT WITHIN A CLASSIFIED SUBUNIT?		
Natural Preserve	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Cultural Preserve	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
State Wilderness	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
IS THE PROJECT CONSISTENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT DIRECTIVES?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
IS THE PROJECT CONSISTENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S OPERATIONS MANUAL CHAPTER 0300?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

COMMENTS:

SUPERINTENDENT PROJECT CONCEPT APPROVAL OR DESIGNEE

TITLE

Park Superintendent II

DATE

11-6-13

RESOURCES

Explain all 'Yes' or 'Maybe' answers in the "Evaluation and Comments" section (reference by letter and number). Attach additional pages, if necessary.

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A. EARTH – WILL THE PROJECT:

1. Create unstable soil or geologic conditions?
2. Adversely affect topographic features?
3. Adversely affect any unusual or significant geologic features?
4. Increase wind or water erosion?
5. Adversely affect sand deposition or erosion of a sand beach?
6. Expose people, property, or facilities to geologic hazards or hazardous waste?
7. Adversely affect any paleontological resource?

YES	MAYBE	NO
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B. AIR – WILL THE PROJECT:

1. Adversely affect general air quality or climatic patterns?
2. Introduce airborne pollutants that may affect plant or animal vigor or viability?
3. Increase levels of dust or smoke?
4. Adversely affect visibility?

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C. WATER – WILL THE PROJECT:

1. Change or adversely affect movement in marine or fresh waters?
2. Change or adversely affect drainage patterns or sediment transportation rates?
3. Adversely affect the quantity or quality of groundwater?
4. Adversely affect the quantity or quality of surface waters?
5. Expose people or property to flood waters?
6. Adversely affect existing or potential aquatic habitat(s)?

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D. PLANT LIFE – WILL THE PROJECT:

1. Adversely affect any native plant community?
2. Adversely affect any unique, rare, endangered, or protected plant species?
3. Introduce a new species of plant to the area?
4. Adversely affect agricultural production?
5. Adversely affect the vigor or structure of any tree?
6. Encourage the growth or spread of alien (non-native) species?
7. Interfere with established fire management plans or practices?

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E. ANIMAL LIFE – WILL THE PROJECT:

1. Adversely affect any native or naturalized animal population?
2. Adversely affect any unusual, rare, endangered, or protected species?
3. Adversely affect any animal habitat?
4. Introduce or encourage the proliferation of any non-native species?

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F. CULTURAL RESOURCES – WILL THE PROJECT:

1. Adversely affect a prehistoric or historic archeological site?
2. Adversely affect a prehistoric or historic building, structure, or object?
3. Cause an adverse physical or aesthetic effect on an eligible or contributing building, structure, object, or cultural landscape?
4. Diminish the informational or research potential of a cultural resource?
5. Increase the potential for vandalism or looting?
6. Disturb any human remains?
7. Restrict access to a sacred site or inhibit the traditional religious practice of a Native American community?

YES	MAYBE	NO
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G. AESTHETIC RESOURCES – WILL THE PROJECT:

1. Adversely affect a scenic vista or view?
2. Significantly increase noise levels?
3. Adversely affect the quality of the scenic resources in the immediate area or park-wide?
4. Create a visually offensive site?
5. Be incompatible with the park design established for this unit or diminish the intended sense of "a special park quality" for the visitor?

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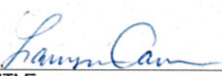
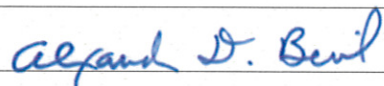

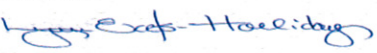
H. RECREATIONAL RESOURCES – WILL THE PROJECT:

1. Be in a public use area?
2. Have an adverse effect on the quality of the intended visitor experience?
3. Have an adverse effect on the quality or quantity of existing or future recreational opportunities or facilities?
4. Have an adverse effect on the accessibility of recreational facilities (e.g., ADA requirements)?

EVALUATION AND COMMENTS

A2-the knolls will be re-contoured to accommodate row plantings
 D1,2,3-Some native plants exist, unknown T&E species in the immediate areas, and citrus and avocado to be planted
 E1,3-examples:ground squirrels, snakes and birds
 F1-unknown
 G1-will change the knolls from bare to agricultural but will keep access to view point on top of the knoll near the museum

PROJECT EVALUATION (PEF)

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW <i>To Be Completed by Qualified Specialist(s) ONLY.</i> Attach additional reviews or continuation pages, as necessary.	
ARCHEOLOGIST COMMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Significant Impact <input type="checkbox"/> Conditions, Mitigation <input type="checkbox"/> Potential Impact	
<p>The knolls have both been previously cleared and terraced for citrus farming. Remains of the older irrigation system include concrete stand pipes and a single metal valve (?). There is no evidence of subsurface resources.</p>	
SIGNATURE 	PRINTED NAME Larrynn Carver
TITLE ASA	DATE November 13, 2013
HISTORIAN COMMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Significant Impact <input type="checkbox"/> Conditions, Mitigation <input type="checkbox"/> Potential Impact	
<p>As described, the proposed project is compliant with the Park Unit's General Plan, as well as the Department's Cultural Resource Management policies. See Historian's 5024 Review for additional evaluations and comments.</p>	
SIGNATURE 	PRINTED NAME Alexander D. Bevil
TITLE Historian II, So. Service Center	DATE 17 December 2013
RESOURCE ECOLOGIST COMMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Significant Impact <input type="checkbox"/> Conditions, Mitigation <input type="checkbox"/> Potential Impact	
<p>If the project is implemented as described it is not expected to have significant impacts to natural resources.</p>	
SIGNATURE 	PRINTED NAME Kenneth Kietzer
TITLE SrES	DATE 11/26/2013
MAINTENANCE CHIEF/SUPERVISOR COMMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Significant Impact <input type="checkbox"/> Conditions, Mitigation <input type="checkbox"/> Potential Impact	
<p>No Maintenance impacts with this project</p>	
SIGNATURE 	PRINTED NAME Lynn Earls-Holliday
TITLE DMC III	DATE 11/27/13
OTHER SPECIALIST COMMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> No Significant Impact <input type="checkbox"/> Conditions, Mitigation <input type="checkbox"/> Potential Impact	
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OTHER COMMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> No Significant Impact <input type="checkbox"/> Conditions, Mitigation <input type="checkbox"/> Potential Impact	
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ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR REVIEW

PROJECT EVALUATION (PEF)

YES MAYBE NO

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CUMULATIVE IMPACTS

1. Will the project be conducted in conjunction with or at the same time as other projects at the park?
2. Will the project be part of a series of inter-related projects?
3. Are there any other projects that must be completed for any part of this project to become operational?
4. Are there any other projects (including deferred maintenance) that have been completed or any probable future projects that could contribute to the cumulative impacts of this project?
5. Are any of the projects that relate to the proposed work outside the General Plan?

COMMENTS:

RECOMMENDATION:

- ☐ Not a project for the purposes of CEQA compliance.
☒ The project is exempt. A Notice of Exemption should be filed.
☐ A Negative Declaration should be prepared.
☐ A Mitigated Negative Declaration should be prepared.
☐ An EIR should be prepared.

SIGNATURE

Larrynn Carver

PRINTED NAME

Larrynn Carver

TITLE
DEC

DATE
12/17/13

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT REVIEW

COMMENTS:

Project pending cooperative agreement with NPMC and Gless Ranch

I acknowledge any constraints placed on the project as a result of the specialists' comments above and recommend the project proceed.

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL SIGNATURE

[Signature]

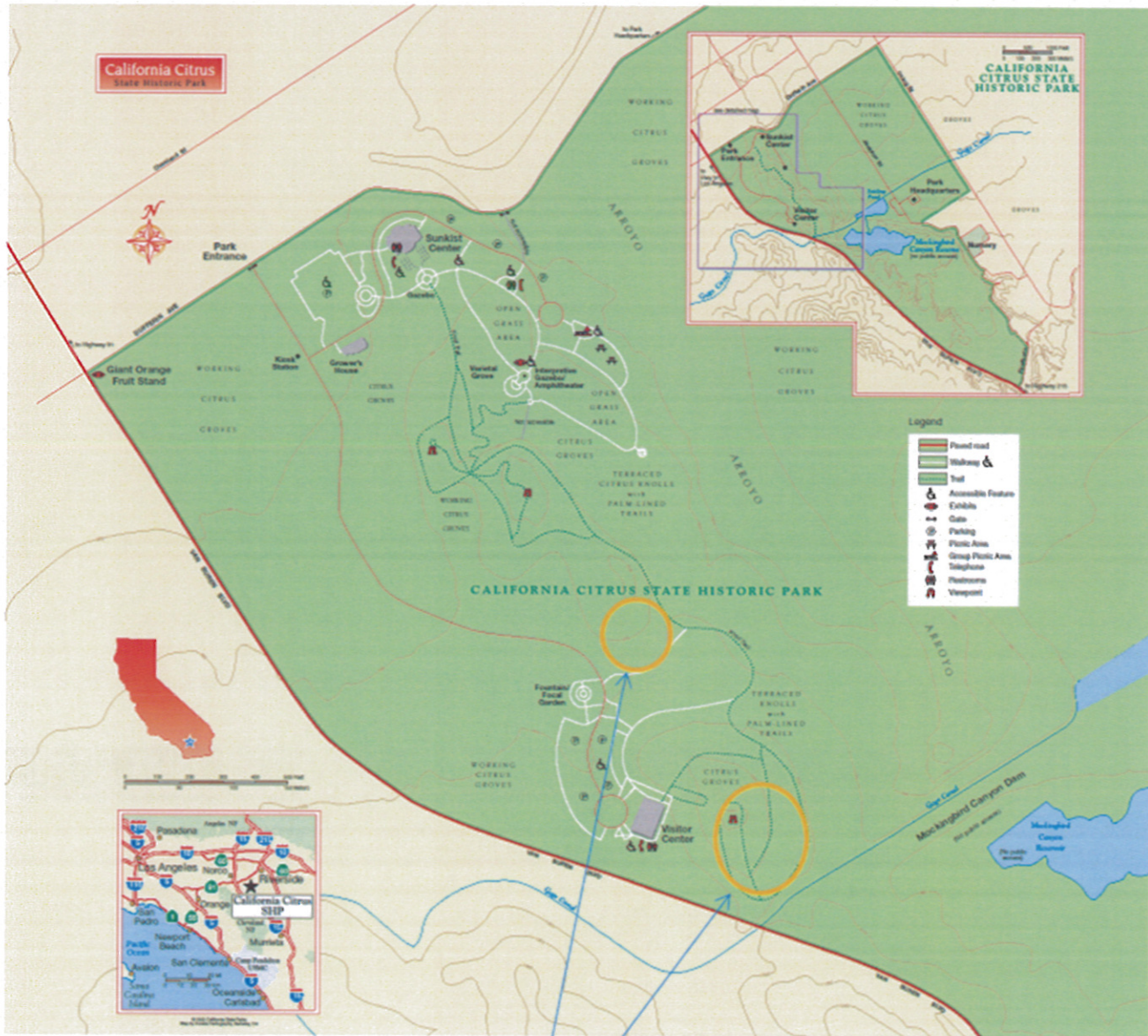
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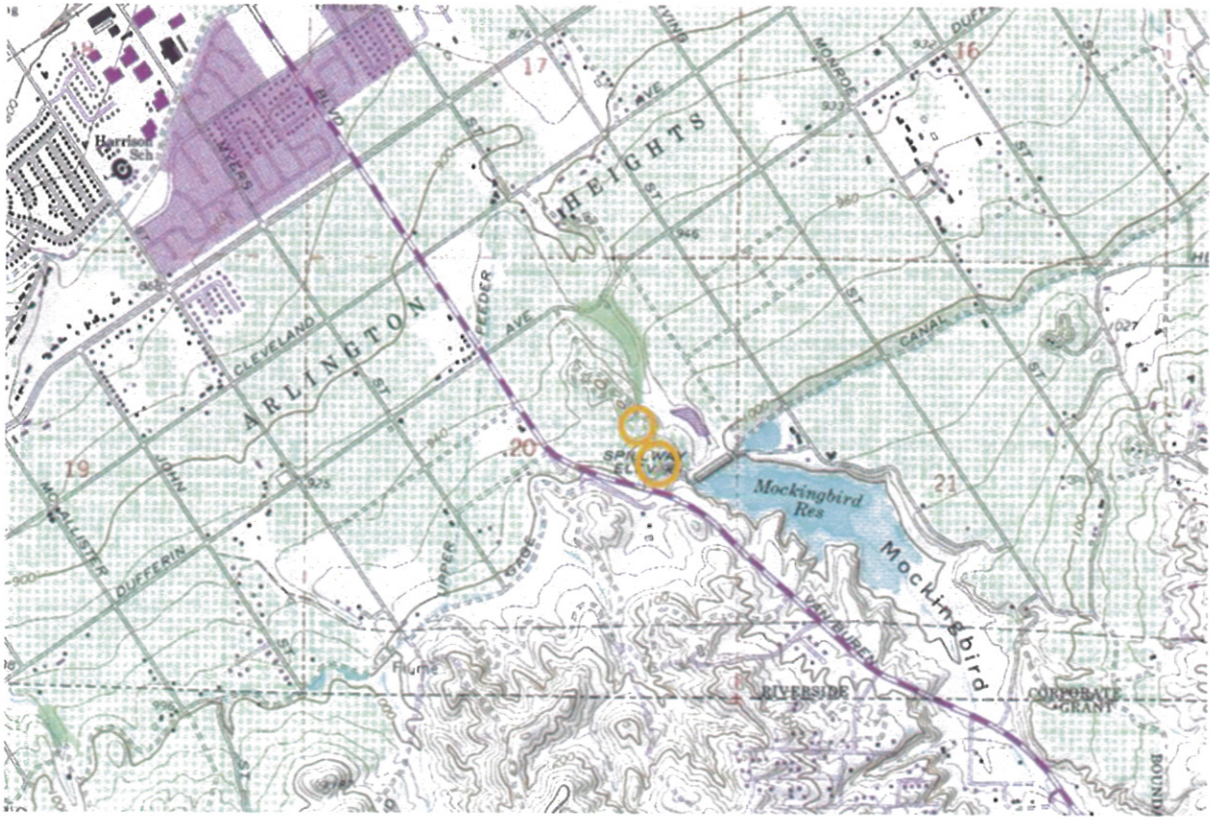
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PROJECT EVALUATION (PEF)



Project Location: Citrus and Avocado groves to be planted on knolls. Approximately 300 citrus planned for the North knoll and 550 Avocados on the south knoll.

PROJECT EVALUATION (PEF)



 = New grove sites/Knolls to be planted



PROJECT EVALUATION (PEF)



California Department of Parks and Recreation
Historical Review ☒ **Archaeological Review** ☐ **Both** ☐
Project Evaluation
(P.R.C. 5024, 5024.5 and E.O. W-26-92)

PROJECT: Citrus and Avocado Grove Additions**PARK UNIT:** California Citrus SHP**DISTRICT:** Inland Empire**Project Manager:** Kelly Elliott**Date:** December 16, 2013**Contact Phone #:** 951-789-1278**FAX #:****Email:** Kelly.elliott@parks.ca.gov**PROJECT DESCRIPTION / DEFINE A.P.E. BOUNDARY:**

This project would involve planting approximately 300 citrus and 550 avocados trees on currently unused knolls in California Citrus SHP. The work would be completed by Gless Ranch who currently holds a Lease Agreement for the park's groves. It would involve removing existing non-native trees (pepper and eucalyptus); the preparation of the two knolls by disking, trenching and, installing irrigation for the new trees; and fumigating the soil to prepare it for planting. New fruit-bearing trees would then be planted and cared for through an Amendment to the current Lease and Crop Agreement between the NPMC and Gless Ranch at no direct cost to the State. These groves would greatly enhance the park's aesthetics and improve the visitor experience by surrounding them with more agriculture, and possibly increase the profits for Gless Ranch and the NPMC from the additional citrus and avocado sales. A site reconnaissance for the presence of burrowing owls and any other protected species was completed by a State Park Environmental Scientist on 11/21/13. No evidence of occupation was detected at the time of the survey. If the project is not completed by the beginning of bird nesting season, March 15, 2014, at least one additional survey for nesting birds will be completed. Should any protected species of nesting of birds be found, work will be stopped until such time that avoidance measures can be established and installed. Consultation with the necessary regulatory agencies will be initiated if necessary.

Source of Funding/Amount: Non-profit Management Corporation / Not Stated**CULTURAL RESOURCES:**HISTORIC ☒ ARCHAEOLOGICAL ☐ TRADITIONAL CULTURAL PROPERTY (TCP) ☐ NONE ☐POTENTIALLY PRESENT (i.e. potentially buried resources or survey inconclusive due to inaccessibility) ☐**APE visited by Cultural Resources Staff** Yes ☒ No ☐

Name: Alexander D. Bevil

Date: ca. 2003

Methods of Inventory:**Records Review** ☒ **Site History Research** ☒ **Field Survey** ☐ **Subsurface Testing** ☐ **Other** ☐**Explain Findings (list references including 523s, 649s, 750s, reports, maps, etc.):**

The proposed project's two discontinuous APE's are located within a California State Historic Park. Only the southern knoll is located near any historical landscape features: the Gage Canal, and the nearby Mockingbird dam, spillway, and reservoir complex (City of Riverside Historical Landmark #24). Specifically, the canal and water storage complex is historically significant for its association with late 1880s Riverside land developer Matthew Gage, who guided the 20-mile canal's construction between Loma Linda and Arlington Heights from 1884 to 1888. A combination of built and natural landscape features linked to the Santa Ana River, these and other contemporary water storage and conveyance structures effectively doubled the size of Riverside's arable land. This, plus improved railroad and highway development, contributed to the rapid expansion of Riverside's agrarian, suburban, and urban development during the 1890s. Surviving examples of Riverside's historic water storage and distribution infrastructure like those at California Citrus State Historic Park SHP still supply water to local citrus ranches and the groves.

While the proposed project areas are located within a State Historic Park, they are not part of the park unit's historic landscape, nor are they to be regarded as not regarded as historic resources. However; the Park Unit's General Plan calls for the "stabilization and enhancement, where required, of the surrounding landscape. This includes the planting, care, and use of citrus and other historic period-specific fruit-bearing trees for interpretive purposes. Once established, they serve as aesthetic resources representative of the important role that the citrus industry played in Riverside and Southern California's greater economic development between 1890 and 1935.

As described, the proposed project is compliant with the Park Unit's General Plan, as well as the Department's Cultural Resource Management policies.

Sources:Bevil, Alexander D. *Citrus Replanting. California Citrus SHP*. Project Evaluation, May 16, 2006.

California Department of Parks and Recreation. *California Citrus State Historic Park. Final General Plan*, January 1989.

_____. *California Citrus State Historic Park. Resource Element*, August 1983.

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_____. *Irrigation—the Gage Canal*. In *The Park History*. http://www.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=22584.

Cultural Heritage Board, City of Riverside. *Landmarks of the City of Riverside*. California. Planning Department, January 2002.
<http://www.riversideca.gov/planning/PDF/landmarks-WEB.pdf#search=%22gage%20canal%22>.

United States Department of the Interior. *West Riverside, California* [Topographical Map], 1953-1961.

United States Geological Survey. *Riverside, California* [Topographical Map], 1901.

NEGATIVE SURVEY DETERMINATION:

☐ **NO EFFECT: No Historical Resources Present**

[If no cultural resources are present, or potentially present within the project APE, no further documentation is required. Proceed to review Section VII. APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION for signature and attach a negative DPR 649 (survey report)]

RECOMMENDED PROJECT MODIFICATIONS, TREATMENTS, OR CONDITIONS (from Section VII.): HISTORIC:

PREHISTORIC:

I. EXISTING CONDITIONS/RESOURCE STATUS - Attach appropriate documentation (DPR 523 forms, etc.):

A. **Resources within APE:** [Site Number(s)/Description(s)/Date of Latest Recordation Form(s)/Additional Documentation (reports, studies, etc.)]: Mockingbird Creek Water Storage and Distribution Complex. Once a natural arroyo through which the waters of Mockingbird Creek flowed, the arroyo had been modified c. 1890 to collect waters flowing over Mockingbird Dam's concrete spillway. The latter is part of a rock and earth-fill dam that impounds water in an irregular-shaped reservoir northwest of the adjacent Gage Canal.

B. **Newly identified resources recorded or updated previous records?:** Yes ☒ No ☐

Explain/List: Cultural Resource Specialists have not formally evaluated the Gage Canal or Mockingbird Creek Water Storage and Distribution Complex for eligibility for placement on either the California or National Registers of Historic Places.

II. ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION(S) (use continuation page [separate file] for additional resources identified):

A. **Resource Evaluation and Significance (If resource is nominated or listed, do NOT fill out section IIB below. Attach appropriate recordation forms to review package. If not, move to section IIB below).**

Resource Name / Site Number: Mockingbird Creel Water Storage and Distribution Complex/Gage Canal

Resource Type is: Individual Building/Structure ☒ Archaeological Site(s) ☐ Historic Site(s) ☐ Landscape District ☐

Historic District ☐ Archaeological District ☐ TCP ☐ National Historic Landmark ☐ Cultural Preserve ☐

Historic Object ☐ Other (e.g., Isolate, California Landmark, Point of Historic Interest, etc.):

Nominated for ☐ **or Listed** ☐ **on:** **California Register:** Yes ☐ No ☒ **National Register:** Yes ☐ No ☒

(If Nominated: Eligibility Concurrence status by OHP: Yes ☐ No ☐ In process ☐)

B. **Site/Structure Eligibility Determination (for newly recorded, non-nominated or listed resources):**

Not Eligible ☐

Explain (include documentation of negative DOE):

Potentially Eligible ☐

Criteria: A – Events ☒ B – People ☒ C—Design ☒ D—Information ☐

Significance Statement:

The Park Unit's General Plan lists the portion of the Gage Canal that runs through the Park Unit, along with the adjacent Mockingbird Creek Water Storage and Distribution Complex, as primary cultural features. The modified natural arroyo located downstream of the dam's spillway, along with the adjacent Gage Canal [City of Riverside landmark #24], Mockingbird Creek

Dam and Reservoir, are historically significant engineering structures that contributed to Riverside's 1890's economic boom. Linked to the Santa Ana River, these and other water storage and conveyance structures would effectively double the citrus producing area of Riverside area. Surviving examples like those at Mockingbird Dam still supply water to local citrus ranches and the groves, including those at California Citrus State Historic Park. While the Park Unit's citrus groves are not regarded as historic resources; the Park Unit interprets them as aesthetic resources representative of the important role the citrus industry played in Riverside and Southern California's greater economic development between 1890 and 1935. The canal and associative water storage and distribution complex is also significant for its historic association with late 1880s Riverside land developer Matthew Gage, who guided the 20-mile canal's construction between Loma Linda and Arlington Heights from 1884 to 1888.

Integrity Discussion: The resources continue to convey the feeling and association with a late 19th century water storage and distribution system in regards to their location, setting, design, materials, and workmanship.

III. DPR POLICY COMPLIANCE

A. Is project consistent with General Plan?: Yes ☒ No ☐ GP date: January 1989

B. If no General Plan, is project scope consistent with current resource use?: Yes ☐ No ☐

C. Is project consistent with Cultural Resource Management Directives?: Yes ☒ No ☐

Comments: As described, the proposed project is compliant with the Park Unit's General Plan, as well as the Department's Cultural Resource Management policies. The Park Unit's General Plan calls for the stabilization and enhancement, where required, of the surrounding landscape. This includes the planting, care, and use of citrus and other historic period-specific fruit-bearing trees for interpretive purposes. Once established, they serve as aesthetic resources representative of the important role that the citrus industry played in Riverside and Southern California's greater economic development between 1890 and 1935.

IV. IMPACT ASSESSMENT

A. Historic Resources

Historic Facility Name(s): Mockingbird Creek Water Storage and Distribution Complex/Gage Canal

Will the proposed project impact historic resources? Yes ☐ No ☒

Describe impacts or non-impacts and provide Comments: While the proposed project's APE's are located near locally-listed historic landscape features, the project, as described, would not have any adverse effects on their historic integrity.

Is proposed project consistent with Secretary of Interior's Standards and Guidelines?: Yes ☒ No ☐

Explain: The project is compliant with the Secretary's Standards and Guidelines for the treatment of historic landscape features.

B. Archaeological Resources

Site Number(s):

Archaeological Site Type: Historic ☐ Prehistoric ☐ Unknown ☐

Will the proposed project impact archaeological resources? Yes ☐ No ☐

Describe impacts or non-impacts and provide Comments:

Is proposed project consistent with Secretary of Interior's Standards and Guidelines in relation to archaeological resources?:

☐ No ☐

Explain:

V. TREATMENTS AND MITIGATION

A. Would project redesign lessen resource impacts?: Yes ☐ No ☒

Explain:

B. Are appropriate treatment measures included within project scope?: Yes ☒ No ☐

Explain:

C. Does treatment involve salvaging historic fabric or excavating archaeological deposits?: Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, has a recordation program or archaeological treatment plan been approved by a senior-level CRS? Yes ☐ No ☐

Explain:

D. In order to bring the project into compliance with the Secretary of the Interiors Standards, the project should proceed with the following modifications or special provisions (Identify specific treatment measures):

VI. DETERMINATION

A. Is documentation sufficient for Determination of Effect?: Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, check below:

☐ NO DETERMINATION OF EFFECT CURRENTLY POSSIBLE

Explain:

If Yes: the reviewer has sufficient documentation to determine that the Proposed Project will have:

- ☐ No Effect: No Historical Resources Present (See Section)
☐ No Effect: No Historical Resources Affected
☒ No Adverse Effect
☐ Adverse Effect

on the Historical or Archaeological Resources of the State Park System.

Explain: While the proposed project areas are located within a State Historic Park, they are not part of the park unit's historic landscape, nor are they to be regarded as not regarded as historic resources. However; the Park Unit's General Plan calls for the "stabilization and enhancement, where required, of the surrounding landscape. This includes the planting, care, and use of citrus and other historic period-specific fruit-bearing trees for interpretive purposes. Once established, they serve as aesthetic resources representative of the important role that the citrus industry played in Riverside and Southern California's greater economic development between 1890 and 1935.

Has a Secondary Review of this DOE been completed by a Cultural Resource Specialist?: Yes ☐ No ☒

VII. APPROVAL AND CERTIFICATION

(APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT IS CONTINGENT ON PROJECT SCOPE NOT BEING CHANGED FROM ABOVE DESCRIPTION. IF SCOPE IS CHANGED, PROJECT MANAGER MUST CONTACT CULTURAL RESOURCE REVIEWER(S) FOR POTENTIAL REVIEW.)

Primary Reviews:

Historical Review

I recommend this project be Approved ☒ Not Approved ☐ Approved Conditionally ☐

Summarize project modifications/treatments/conditions:

Historical Reviewer: Alexander D. Bevil

Date: December 17, 2013

Title: Historian II, So. Service Center

Phone #: 619-221-7041

Hours Spent on Evaluation: 5

Archaeological Review

I recommend this project be Approved ☐ Not Approved ☐ Approved Conditionally ☐

Summarize project modifications/treatments/conditions:

Archaeological Reviewer:

Date:

Title:

Phone #:

Hours Spent on Evaluation:

Restoration Architect Review

I recommend this project be Approved ☐ Not Approved ☐ Approved Conditionally ☐

Summarize project modifications/treatments/conditions:

Architectural Reviewer:

Date:

Title:

Phone #:

Hours Spent on Evaluation:

Secondary Review:

I recommend this project be Approved ☐ Not Approved ☐ Approved Conditionally ☐

Explain:

Secondary Reviewer:

Title:

Phone #:

Comments:

Project Manager:

I understand that this project as proposed or modified may affect historical or archaeological resources. I will insure that all treatment measures necessary for the project to confirm with Historic Preservation standards and professional guidelines will be carried out as specified above. If project scope is changed, I will contact cultural resource reviewer(s) for potential re-review.

Project Manager:

Title:

Phone #:

Date:

FAX #:

*Note: All review packages must include a project map and appropriate documentation. For archaeological surveys, attach new/updated DPR 649 (or equivalent) with coverage map and site records. For historic structures, attach new/updated DPR 523 or 750. For archaeological sites, attach new/updated DPR 523. **For previously recorded site or structure forms, previous study reports, etc. list under "Explain Findings" on pg. 1.*

ATTACHMENTS: ☐ project map ☐ DPR 649 (with map & site forms) ☐ DPR 523 ☐ DPR 750 ☐ Other: _____



State of California – The Resources Agency
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

CEQA PROJECT COMPLETION VERIFICATION

TO: Project Manager: Kelly Elliot
District PM:

DATE: December 17, 2013

FROM: Larrynn Carver, District Environmental Coordinator (DEC) (951-453-4139)
Mike Yengling, Service Center Environmental Coordinator (SCEC) (619-221-7081)

PROJECT TITLE: Citrus and Avocado Grove Additions (13/14-IE-08)

PARK UNIT: California Citrus SHP

DISTRICT: Inland Empire

This project is approved to proceed with the following measures incorporated and/or comments considered:

Biological Resources (Kenneth Kietzer: 951-443-2407)

1. If the project is not completed by the beginning of bird nesting season, March 15, at least one additional survey for nesting birds will be completed. Should any protected species of nesting of birds be found, work will be stopped until such time that avoidance measures can be established and installed. If necessary consultation with the necessary regulatory agencies will be initiated.

Water Quality Protection Measures

1. None

Archaeological Resource Protection Measures (Larrynn Carver: 951-453-4139)

1. None

Historical Resources Comments/Measures (Alex Bevil: 619-221-7041)

1. None

As the Project Manager, you are responsible for ensuring that all project requirements, restrictions, or mitigations are adhered to. This includes reviewing all comments, briefing any staff and contractors who may work on the project, and coordinating the on-site presence of specialist staff, if required.

You are also responsible for verifying project completion. When the project is complete, please sign and date this form and return it to the DEC. Please note any problems or comments you may have concerning the project. If the project is cancelled or postponed for a significant period of time, please inform the DEC *as soon as possible*.

PROJECT MANAGER CERTIFICATION

I certify that this project has been completed in compliance with the above conditions.

PROJECT MANAGER SIGNATURE

DATE

COMMENTS: